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BOOK REVIEWS

CARE AND FEEDING OF INFANTS AND CHILDREN. A Text-book for Trained Nurses. By Walter Reeve Ramsay, M. D., Associate Professor of Diseases of Children, University of Minnesota, Associate Visiting Physician to the University Hospital, Visiting Physician to St. Paul City and County Hospital, Medical Director St. Paul Baby Welfare Association, etc., including suggestions on Nursing by Margaret B. Lettice, Supervising Nurse of the Baby Welfare Association, St. Paul, Minnesota, and Nann Gossman, Nurse in Charge of Children's Department University Hospital, Minneapolis, Minn. 123 illustrations. J. B. Lippincott Company, Philadelphia and London. Price \$2.

It would seem that no information in the care and feeding of children, which nurses might need, had been omitted from this book, which is written in simple language and not with the use of too many technical terms, as is sometimes the fault of books written by doctors for nurses. Diagrams in colors, of infant circulation, before and after birth, are particularly good, though the same cannot be said of some of the other illustrations. One cannot commend the one showing a nurse taking a temperature, nor is the one illustrating rectal treatment exactly practical, as instruction. The nurse giving the shower bath is to be pitied. All nurses should have a copy of the book, even if not engaged in the nursing of children, as so frequently they are questioned or referred to while in the home where there are children, sick or well. Even the best instructed nurses need reference books of this kind.

CARE OF PATIENTS UNDERGOING GYNECOLOGIC AND ABDOMINAL PROCEDURES BEFORE, DURING AND AFTER OPERATION. By E. E. Montgomery, M.D., Professor of Gynecology in Jefferson Medical College, Philadelphia. 12mo of 149 pages with 61 illustrations. W. B. Saunders Company, Philadelphia and London. 1916. Price \$1.25.

When one attends a public health meeting, or reads reports of them, it is with some impatience that note is made of the slight, if any, reference made to the part taken by nurses in what has been accomplished or really only been made possible by their interest and labor. It is therefore with much pleasure that one reads the dedication of this